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RAILWAYS
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Rail Line from Amravati
Kothapalli Smt. Geetha

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken for new rail lines from Amravati to Bengaluru and Amravati to Rayalaseema regions and to other areas from new capital of Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the time set to complete these projects with funds sanctioned/spent so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): The new line project from Vijayawada to Guntur via Amravati has been proposed in Budget 2017-18 subject to obtaining requisite approvals. Length of the project is 106 km. and anticipated cost is `2679.59 crore. Also, project for doubling of Guntur - Guntakal (401.470 km) at an anticipated cost of `3631.07 crore has been included in the Budget 2016-17. Niti Aayog has been apprised of the project of Guntur-Guntakal and the project is in process of obtaining approval of Cabinet Committee for Economic Affairs(CCEA). Both these projects will give improved connectivity to Bengaluru and to Rayalaseema regions and other areas from the new capital of Andhra Pradesh.
(b): Since completion of project depends upon several factors including complete handing over of encumbrance-free land by the State Government, shifting of utilities, etc. and most of these factors are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways, target date for completion of the above projects has not been fixed. `124 crore have been earmarked for the project of doubling of Guntur-Guntakal during 2017-18. An allotment of `1 crore has been given for Vijayawada to Guntur via Amravati new line project during 2017-18.
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